AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-9. (Cancelled)

10. (New) A device for programming a controller, comprising:

a portable, copy-protected plug-in memory unit for storing software.

11. (New) The device according to claim 10, wherein the copy-protected plug-in memory unit includes at least one interface for receiving software from a hardware device and for transferring software to the controller.

12. (New) The device according to claim 10, wherein the copy-protected plug-in memory unit includes:

an interface,

manipulation-protected hardware,

a cryptographic unit,

at least one processor having logic and interface drivers, and

a memory containing encrypted software, which includes controller software, programming software, and an encryption.

13. (New) The device according to claim 10, wherein the device is used for programming a controller of a motor vehicle.

14. (New) A method for programming a controller, comprising:

transferring software stored in a copy-protected plug-in memory unit to the controller.

15. (New) The method according to claim 14, further comprising:

transferring software from a hardware device to the copy-protected plug-in memory unit.

16. ·(New)· The method according to claim 14, wherein the method is for programming a controller of a motor vehicle.

17. (New) A computer program having program code which when executed by a processor performs the following:

transferring software stored in a copy-protected plug-in memory unit to a controller.

18. A computer-readable medium storing program code which when executed by a processor performs the following:

transferring software stored in a copy-protected plug-in memory unit to a controller.